

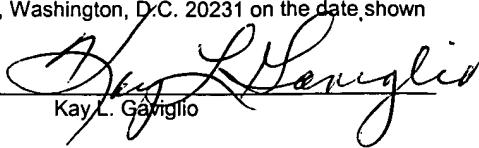


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Docket No. GC329-US

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of )  
Johannes C. van der Laan, et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1652  
Serial No.: 07/565,673 ) Examiner: Fronda, C.  
Filed: August 10, 1990 )  
For: Efficient Production of Mutant Proteases )

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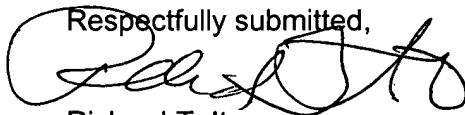
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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced application please find the following documents: Response to the Office Action; Petition for an Extension of Time and fee; and an Associate Power.

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